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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Kameshwar Poolla

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For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR EQUIPMENT MATCHING AND  
CHARACTERIZATION

Confirmation: 6474

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Examiner: Craig Miller

### RESPONSE TO ELECTION-RESTRICTION

July 21, 2005

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
PO BOX 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Office Action dated 06/21/2005 indicates claims 1-20 are pending for the above referenced application, and claims 1-20 are subject to a restriction and/or election requirement. Furthermore, the Office Action states that the application contains claims directed to patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:

- I. The species best illustrated by Figure 1.
- II. The species best illustrated by Figure 2.

The Office Action requires Applicant to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held allowable. The Office Action states that currently, no claim is deemed generic.

Applicant elects what the Examiner describes as Species 2, best illustrated by Figure 2. Species 2 is represented, at least in part, by claims 13-20.

It is hereby respectfully submitted that this response meets the requirements of the Office Action and places the above identified patent application in condition for

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further examination and allowance. Please telephone the undersigned at (408) 396-1112 if there are any questions regarding this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Larry Williams", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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